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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b)
ESTABLISHING RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION

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NOTE: ASection 3.73(b) is amended to remove the sentence requiring an assignee to specifically state that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed and to certify that title is in the assignee seeking to take action. The sentence is deemed to be unnecessary in view of the amendment to §§ 1.4(d) and 10.18. = Notice of Oct. 10, 1997, 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, at 53,174.

1. The assignee(s) of the entire right, title and interest hereby seek(s) to take action in the PTO in this matter.

IDENTIFICATION OF ASSIGNEE

2. Panace Pharmaceutical, Inc.
Name of assignee
Corporation
Type of assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.

PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN

3. _____
(type name of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee)

Title of person authorized to sign

NOTE: The Notice of April 30, 1993 (1150 O.G. 62-64) points out:

AThe statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) may be signed on behalf of the assignee in the following two manners if the assignee is an organization (e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.).

A(1) The statement may be signed by a person in the organization having apparent authority to sign on behalf of the organization. An officer (president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer) is presumed to have authority to sign on behalf of the organization. The signature of the chairman of the board of directors is acceptable, but not the signature of an individual director. A person having a title (manager, director, administrator, general counsel) that does not clearly set forth that person as an officer of the assignee is not presumed to be an officer of the assignee or to have authority to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee. A power of attorney from the inventors in an organization to a practitioner to prosecute a patent application does not make the practitioner an official of an assignee or empower the practitioner to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee.

A(2) The statement may be signed by any person, if the statement includes an averment that the person is empowered to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee and, if not signed by a registered practitioner, the statement must be in oath or declaration form. Where a statement does not include such an averment, and the person signing does not hold a position in the organization that would give rise to a presumption that the person is empowered to sign the statement on behalf of the assignee, evidence of the person's authority to sign will be required. =

(complete the following, if applicable)

☒ I, the person signing below, state that I am empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

BASIS OF ASSIGNEE'S INTEREST

Ownership by the assignee is established as follows:

A.

1. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the matter identified above, which was recorded in the PTO at June 18, 2001
Reel 011918, Frame 0458
2. ☐ Other:

AND/OR

B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s) to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: _____
Name of inventor(s)

To: _____
Recorded in PTO: Reel _____, Frame _____
2. From: _____
Name of inventor(s) or assignee

To: _____
Recorded in PTO: Reel _____, Frame _____
3. From: _____
Name of inventor(s) or assignee

To: _____
Recorded in PTO: Reel _____, Frame _____

(check item below, and add details, if applicable)

☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed in the attached Supplemental Sheet.

COPIES OF DOCUMENTS IN CHAIN OF TITLE

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☒ Copies of the assignment(s) or other document(s) in the chain of title are attached as follows:

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